THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRI MD. ALI ASHRAF FATMI): (a) As per the guidelines laid down by University Grants Commission (UGC) for considering the proposal for declaring an institution as Deemed to be University, in case of the institution offering a degree/diploma, in professional subjects (s), the academic programmes (s) should be recognised by the concerned statutory authority e.g. All India Council for Technical Education (AICTE), Medical Council of India (MCI), Dental Council of India (DCI), Central Council of Homeopathy (CCH), Indian Nursing Council (INC) etc. before it applies for a deemed to be university status under Section 3 of the UGC Act. This shall, however, not apply to new institutions in the emerging areas with the promise of excellence, not yet fulfilling the prescribed guidelines of the UGC whose case will be considered for a provisional status for a Deemed to be University.

(b) UGC has informed that the respective statutory professional Councils are consulted before considering the proposals for conferring 'Deemed to be University' status to an Institution as per the above guidelines.

(c) and (d) Do not arise.

**University Status to Amity**

647. SHRI UDAY PRATAP SINGH: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the Amity has been granted the status of an university; and

(b) if so, the details thereof and the parameters fixed for granting such status?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRI MD. ALI ASHRAF FATMI): (a) and (b) According to the information furnished by University Grants Commission (UGC), the Amity University, Raipur is a private university established by the State of Chhattisgarh under "Chhattisgarh Niji Kshetra Vishwavidyalaya (Sthapana Aur Viniyaman) adhiniyam 2002, Act", through State Government Gazette Notification No. F. 73/68/2003/HE/38 dated 12.6.2003.